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Patent
Attorney Docket No.: 86200-11**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

In the Office Action dated January 27, 2005, the Examiner has identified claims 1-38 and 48-52, and claims 39-47 and 48-52 as being subject to restriction or election requirement, on the basis that they are respectively directed to two patentably distinct inventions.

In response to the Examiner's requisition under 35 U.S.C. §121, the Applicant formally elects Invention I, claims 1-38 and 48-52 being readable thereon, for prosecution on the merits in the patent application.

Accordingly, the Applicant has withdrawn claims 39-47 from the patent application. The Applicant respectfully reserves the right to pursue all or a subset of the non-elected claims in one or more divisional applications that may be filed prior to the issuance of the present application.

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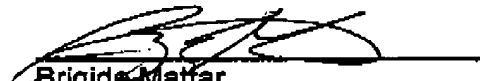
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Attorney Docket No.: 86200-11**CONCLUSION**

The Applicant believes that claims 1-38 and 48-52 should be jointly considered and are in allowable form. Favourable consideration is requested. The Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

If the claims of the application are not considered to be in full condition for allowance, for any reason, the Applicant respectfully requests the assistance of the Examiner in making constructive suggestions or in drafting one or more acceptable claims so that the application can be placed in allowable condition as soon as possible and without the need for further proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

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